REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Reconsideration of this Application and entry of this Amendment is respectfully requested. Applicant responds herein to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment and have presented above a complete listing of claims as per the Amendment dated March 13, 2009, with the status of Claim 12 corrected to now show that claim as "currently amended." In the interest of expediency the Remarks/Arguments presented with the Amendment dated March 13, 2009 are ratified, but not repeated herein.

Conclusion

For the reasons set forth in the Amendment of March 13, 2009, Applicant believes all the pending claims are in condition for allowance and should be passed to issue. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required under 37 C.F.R. 1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 01-2525. If the Examiner feels that a telephone conference would in any way expedite the prosecution of the application, please do not hesitate to call the undersigned at telephone (707) 543-5021.

Respectfully submitted,

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